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SUBJECT: COSTA RICA MFA STATES NO OFFICIAL POSITION YET ON ZIMBABWE ELECTION AFTERMATH

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- 11. (U) On July 2, we passed the U.S. draft resolution on Zimbabwe, per reftels, to Deyanira Ramirez, MFA UN Officer. She had not seen the text nor had heard it was coming. She promised to review it and respond.
- 12. (SBU) We asked Ramirez whether Costa Rica had taken a position on the Zimbabwe situation in the aftermath of the election, and she said that no, the GOCR had not yet defined its official position on what should happen next. She offered, however, her personal opinion that the international community has to react and cannot let this violation of the people's will stand. Post will follow up and will inform when/if we receive a more substantive response. CIANCHETTE